

SECTION 6. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 1993. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment relating to the amount and expenditure of certain constitutionally dedicated funding for public institutions of higher education."

Adopted by the Senate on April 15, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0; May 25, 1993, Senate refused to concur in House amendments and requested appointment of Conference Committee; May 27, 1993, House granted request of the Senate; May 29, 1993, Senate adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0; adopted by the House, with amendments, on May 21, 1993: Yeas 106, Nays 21, one present not voting; May 27, 1993, House granted request of the Senate for appointment of Conference Committee; May 29, 1993, House adopted Conference Committee Report by the following vote: Yeas 113, Nays 19, one present not voting.

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### S.J.R. No. 18

#### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of sheriffs.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Article V, Section 23, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 23. There shall be elected by the qualified voters of each county a Sheriff, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, whose duties, *qualifications*, [and] perquisites, and fees of office, shall be prescribed by the Legislature, and vacancies in whose office shall be filled by the Commissioners Court until the next general election.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 1993. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to allow the legislature to prescribe the qualifications of sheriffs."

Adopted by the Senate on May 3, 1993: Yeas 31, Nays 0; adopted by the House on May 22, 1993: Yeas 128, Nays 1, one present not voting.

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### S.J.R. No. 19

#### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment to modify the provisions for the redemption of real property sold at a tax sale.

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:*

SECTION 1. Article VIII, Section 13, of the Texas Constitution is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 13. (a) Provision shall be made by the [first] Legislature for the [speedy] sale[, ~~without the necessity of a suit in Court,~~] of a sufficient portion of all lands and other property for the taxes due thereon ~~that~~ [, and every year thereafter for the sale in like manner of all lands and other property upon which the taxes] have not been paid.

(b) ~~The~~ [, and the] deed of conveyance to the purchaser for all lands and other property thus sold shall be held to vest a good and perfect title in the purchaser thereof, subject *only*

to redemption as provided by this section or impeachment ~~[be impeached only]~~ for actual fraud.

(c) ~~The [; provided, that the]~~ former owner of a residence homestead sold for unpaid taxes and the former owner of land designated for agricultural use sold for unpaid taxes shall within two years from date of the filing for record of the Purchaser's Deed have the right to redeem the property ~~[land]~~ on the following basis:

(1) Within the first year of the redemption period, upon the payment of the amount of money paid for the property ~~[land]~~, including the ~~[One (\$1.00) Dollar]~~ Tax Deed Recording Fee and all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs paid plus an amount not exceeding 25 ~~[twenty-five (25%)]~~ percent of the aggregate total; and

(2) Within the last year of the redemption period, upon the payment of the amount of money paid for the property ~~[land]~~, including the ~~[One (\$1.00) Dollar]~~ Tax Deed Recording Fee and all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs paid plus an amount not exceeding 50 ~~[fifty (50%)]~~ percent of the aggregate total.

(d) If the property is sold pursuant to a suit to enforce the collection of the unpaid taxes, the Legislature may limit the application of Subsection (c) of this section to property used as a residence homestead when the suit was filed and to land designated for agricultural use when the suit was filed.

(e) The former owner of real property not covered by Subsection (c) of this section sold for unpaid taxes shall within six months from the date of filing for record of the Purchaser's Deed have the right to redeem the property upon the payment of the amount of money paid for the property, including the Tax Deed Recording Fee and all taxes, penalties, interest, and costs paid plus an amount not exceeding 25 percent of the aggregate total.

SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to the Texas Constitution:

**TEMPORARY PROVISION.** (a) This temporary provision applies to the constitutional amendment proposed by S.J.R. No. 19, 73rd Legislature, Regular Session, 1993, and expires January 1, 1997.

(b) The amendment to Article VIII, Section 13, of this constitution takes effect January 1, 1994.

(c) The amendment applies to redemption of real property sold at a tax sale for which the purchaser's deed is filed for record on or after the effective date of this amendment. Redemption of real property sold at a tax sale for which the purchaser's deed is filed for record before the effective date of this amendment is covered by the former law, and the former law is continued in effect for this purpose.

SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 2, 1993. The ballot shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment to modify the provisions for the redemption of real property sold at a tax sale."

Adopted by the Senate on March 15, 1993, by the following vote: Yeas 28, Nays 2;

Adopted by the House on May 17, 1993, by the following vote: Yeas 118, Nays 10, two present not voting.

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## S.J.R. 31

### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment relating to the duties of trustees of local public pension systems.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Legislature of the State of Texas:**

SECTION 1. Article XVI, Section 67, of the Texas Constitution is amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows: